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In re Application of: Ulf ROLANDER et al.	)	Confirmation No.: 4253
Application No.: 10/679,379	)	Group Art Unit: 1742
Filed: October 7, 2003	)	Examiner: Michael P. Alexander
For: Ti(C,N)-(Ti,Nb,W)(C,N)-Co Alloy for Finishing and Semifinishing Turning Cutting Tool Applications	)	

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

An Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanied the Notice of Allowability recently issued in connection with the above-identified application.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's statement because it does not accurately reflect the claim language in any one claim. Applicants respectfully assert that each and every claim independently distinguishes over the cited references on their own merits, as delineated in the features of said claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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